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AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

The method involves transmitting Transmissions are made to multicast receivers receiving a multicast of a plurality of requests for feedback [[(3)]], each request including a probability parameter [[(P)]]. Each terminal replies to this (or not) with a corresponding probability (4). One then counts the The number [[(r)]] of replies to each request (5); determines is counted and, from the counts and parameters, estimates of the number of receivers [[(6);]] are determined and filters the estimates (7). The method further includes repeatedly computing a are filtered. A new probability parameter is repeatedly computed to be included in [[a]] subsequent feedback requests, by forecasting, from the counts and parameters, [[a]] an upper bound for the number of receivers (9, 10, 11) and, based on determining from this the new probability parameter, maintaining (12) such that the risk that the number of replies exceeds a predefined threshold is kept below a predefined value.

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